REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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Application Number	: 10/665,304	Confirmation No. 5445
Filing Date	: September 18, 2003	
Inventor(s)	: Madapusi K. Keshavan, et al.	
Title	: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING A CUTTING ELEMENT FROM A PARTIALLY DENSIFIED SUBSTRATE	
Group Art Unit	: 1791	
Examiner Name	: Melvin C. Mayes	
Docket No.	: 49524/M277	Date: October 31, 2007

MAIL TO: Mail Stop RCE

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

This application is **not** an application of the kind specified in 37 CFR § 1.114(e).

1. THE STATUS OF THE APPLICATION IS AS FOLLOWS:
   a. __X__ Pending (no review proceedings active)
      (1) __X__ An Action was mailed by the Office on October 17, 2007, as to which no appeal under 37 CFR § 1.191 has been filed and
         _____ a response under 37 CFR § 1.116 was mailed on
            _____ · via Express Mail
            _____ with certificate of mailing under 37 CFR § 1.8
         __X__ that Action was a Final Rejection, the finality of which is to be withdrawn by this Request
         _____ an appeal or civil action under 35 U.S.C. 141,145 or 146 has been terminated
      (2) _____ Allowed: the Notice of Allowance was mailed by the Office on
         _____ the Issue Fee has not been paid
         _____ the Issue Fee has been paid **and** a petition under 37 CFR § 1.313 was granted on
   b. _____ Pending (with review proceeding active)

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An appeal under 37 CFR § 1.191 has been filed. **Applicant(s) hereby withdraw that appeal and request reopening of the prosecution of the application.**

2. SUBMISSION(S) REQUIRED (check at least one)
   a. Previously submitted

   _____ Consider the amendments/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on

   _____ Consider the arguments in the Appeal or Reply Brief previously filed on

   _____ Other:

   b. Enclosed

   __X__ Amendment/Reply

   _____ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

   _____ Information Disclosure Statement

   _____ Documents under 37 CFR § 1.48

   _____ Petition for Extension of Time
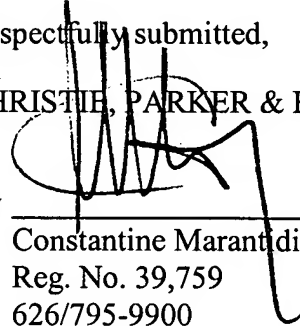
   _____ Other:

The Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned promptly following receipt and initial review of the application in light of the Submissions(s) for the conduct of, or the scheduling of, a telephone interview in the application.

Please direct all correspondence to **CUSTOMER NUMBER 23363**. Direct telephone calls to 626/795-9900, **CHRISTIE, PARKER & HALE, LLP, P.O. Box 7068, Pasadena, CA 91109-7068.**

Respectfully submitted,

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
FEE CALCULATION SHEET

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PART I — BASIC FEE			
BASIC FEE	Small Entity $405.00	Large Entity $810.00	$810.00

PART II — ADDITIONAL CLAIMS (compared to application before RCE)						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra Claims	Small Entity Rate	Large Entity Rate	FEE
Total Claims	35	*36	0	x $25.00	0 x $50.00	0.00
Independent Claims	6	**5	1	x $105.00	1 x $210.00	210.00
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim				$185.00	$370.00	0.00
TOTAL CLAIMS FEE						$210.00
List Independent Claims: 1, 25, 52, 53, 55, 57						
* IF THE "HIGHEST NUMBER OF TOTAL CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR" IS LESS THAN 20, WRITE "20" IN THIS SPACE. ** IF THE HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR IS 3 OR LESS, WRITE "3" IN THIS SPACE.						

1. FEES *(The RCE fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.)*

   a. Amount (total from Fee Calculation Sheet)
   A check for <u>$1,020.00</u> is enclosed.

   b. __X__ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required for this transaction to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account. **A duplicate copy hereof is enclosed.**

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